Best Practice – I - Kannadotsava

Mount Carmel College since its inception in 1948 has worked to the cause of promoting the best of Indian culture. The college conducts various activities to build awareness and a sense of pride among the student community about the cultural identity of our nation and society. Being located in the capital of Karnataka, MCC strongly believes in promoting awareness about the local language, art and culture. This motivated the Department of Kannada to launch Kannadotsava - an annual event to mark Karnataka Rajyotsava and celebrate the rich heritage and culture of the State. Kannadotsava is hosted in the month of December and involves all students of the Kannada department. The students are trained in a local art form like Dollu Kunitha, Yakshagana and Kamsale by trained professionals for weeks. On the day of the celebration the students put up the performance which is highly appreciated for its vigor, intricacy and coordination. The colourful energetic performance of the students has enthralled the students and faculty and helped in building the awareness about rich regional culture. The day is also marked by performance of a play which is drawn from classic Kannada literature. Regional languages in India have been challenged with the advent of English and waves of globalization. In a college like MCC which is multilingual and draws students from all parts of India, Kannadotsava has left its mark by making even the non- Kannada community get a glimpse of the traditional art forms - music and dance and richness of the Kannada literature, a language that has won the highest Jnanapith awards. The commitment of the department and management has made this a much awaited annual event which makes the campus come alive to the beats of the drums which echo the sentiment of pride in our State language. The Green Initiative Mount Carmel College is committed to building and sustaining a green environment on campus and has undertaken several green practices on campus. The college campus has green landscape with trees and plants.